

May 16, 2018

BY ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: NOTICE OF EX PARTE

WT Docket No. 17-79: *Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment;*

WC Docket No. 17-84: *Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 15, 2018, Steven K. Berry, Courtney Neville, and I of Competitive Carriers Association (“CCA”)¹ met with Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC” or “Commission”) Commissioner Brendan Carr and Will Adams, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Carr, to discuss the above referenced proceedings. CCA applauds the FCC’s ongoing work to further deployment of advanced technologies for all consumers in rural and urban areas. To that end, CCA encouraged the FCC to expeditiously address state and local siting procedures by shortening shot clocks for collocations and other deployments; limiting permissible local fees to nondiscriminatory, publicly-disclosed actual costs; creating a mechanism for batched application review; and clarifying provisions within Sections 332 and 253 of the Communications Act, as amended. CCA’s advocacy was consistent with previous filings in these proceedings.²

CCA looks forward to continued work with the Commission and industry to streamline and update infrastructure siting policies to reflect changes in technology.

¹ CCA is the nation’s leading association for competitive wireless providers and stakeholders across the United States. CCA’s membership includes nearly 100 competitive wireless providers ranging from small, rural carriers serving fewer than 5,000 customers to regional and national providers serving millions of customers. CCA also represents associate members including vendors and suppliers that provide products and services throughout the mobile communications supply chain.

² See Comments of Competitive Carriers Association, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed June 15, 2017) (“CCA Comments”); Reply Comments of Competitive Carriers Association, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed July 17, 2017) (“CCA Reply Comments”).

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules. Please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Rebecca Murphy Thompson

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Will Adams